

PATENT COOPERATION TREATY

PCT

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

(PCT Article 18 and Rules 43 and 44)

Applicant's or agent's file reference EL/2-23023	FOR FURTHER ACTION see Form PCT/ISA/220 as well as, where applicable, item 5 below.	
International application No. PCT/EP2005/050673	International filing date (day/month/year) 16/02/2005	(Earliest) Priority Date (day/month/year) 24/02/2004
Applicant CIBA SPECIALTY CHEMICALS HOLDING INC.		

This International Search Report has been prepared by this International Searching Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 18. A copy is being transmitted to the International Bureau.

This International Search Report consists of a total of 3 sheets.

☒ It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

1. Basis of the report

- a. With regard to the **language**, the international search was carried out on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

☐ The international search was carried out on the basis of a translation of the international application furnished to this Authority (Rule 23.1(b)).

- b. ☐ With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application, see Box No. I.

2. ☐ **Certain claims were found unsearchable** (See Box II).

3. ☐ **Unity of invention is lacking** (see Box III).

4. With regard to the title,

☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

☐ the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:

5. With regard to the abstract,

☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

☐ the text has been established, according to Rule 38.2(b), by this Authority as it appears in Box No. IV. The applicant may, within one month from the date of mailing of this international search report, submit comments to this Authority.

6. With regard to the drawings,

- a. the figure of the **drawings** to be published with the abstract is Figure No. _____

☐ as suggested by the applicant.

☐ as selected by this Authority, because the applicant failed to suggest a figure.

☐ as selected by this Authority, because this figure better characterizes the invention.

- b. ☐ none of the figures is to be published with the abstract.

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International Application No

PCT/EP2005/050673

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
IPC 7 G11B7/24 C09B47/04

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)
IPC 7 G11B

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

EPO-Internal, WPI Data

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
A	EP 0 600 427 A (MITSUI TOATSU CHEMICALS ; YAMAMOTO CHEMICALS INC (JP)) 8 June 1994 (1994-06-08) the whole document	1-10
A	US 4 818 665 A (MUNAKATA HIROHIDE ET AL) 4 April 1989 (1989-04-04) example 12	1-10
A	L.A.TOMACHYNSKI ET AL.: "Synthesis and spectral characterization of bis(beta-diketonato)zirconium(IV) and -hafnium(IV)phthalocyanines" J.PORPHYRINS PHTHALOCYANINES, vol. 6, 2002, pages 114-121, XP009033886 in der Anmeldung genannt the whole document	1-10

☐ Further documents are listed in the continuation of box C.☒ Patent family members are listed in annex.

* Special categories of cited documents :

- *A* document defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance
- *E* earlier document but published on or after the international filing date
- *L* document which may throw doubts on priority claim(s) or which is cited to establish the publication date of another citation or other special reason (as specified)
- *O* document referring to an oral disclosure, use, exhibition or other means
- *P* document published prior to the international filing date but later than the priority date claimed

- *T* later document published after the international filing date or priority date and not in conflict with the application but cited to understand the principle or theory underlying the invention
- *X* document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered novel or cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is taken alone
- *Y* document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is combined with one or more other such documents, such combination being obvious to a person skilled in the art.
- * & * document member of the same patent family

Date of the actual completion of the international search

4 August 2005

Date of mailing of the international search report

17/08/2005

Name and mailing address of the ISA

European Patent Office, P.B. 5818 Patentlaan 2
NL - 2280 HV Rijswijk
Tel. (+31-70) 340-2040, Tx. 31 651 epo nl,
Fax: (+31-70) 340-3016

Authorized officer

Friebe1, F

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

Information on patent family members

International Application No

PCT/EP2005/050673

Patent document cited in search report		Publication date	Patent family member(s)		Publication date
EP 0600427	A	08-06-1994	CA	2110233 A1	03-06-1994
			DE	69325876 D1	09-09-1999
			DE	69325876 T2	20-01-2000
			EP	0600427 A1	08-06-1994
			JP	3315498 B2	19-08-2002
			JP	7098887 A	11-04-1995
			JP	3654442 B2	02-06-2005
			JP	2003001942 A	08-01-2003
			KR	133025 B1	16-04-1998
			US	5492744 A	20-02-1996
			US	5876820 A	02-03-1999

US 4818665	A	04-04-1989	JP	1745920 C	25-03-1993
			JP	4027960 B	13-05-1992
			JP	60192684 A	01-10-1985
			JP	60192685 A	01-10-1985
			JP	60192972 A	01-10-1985
			JP	60192973 A	01-10-1985
			JP	60192977 A	01-10-1985
			JP	60192974 A	01-10-1985
			US	5006446 A	09-04-1991
